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AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as indicated hereafter.

In the Claims :

Claim 1. (original) A mask for fabricating contacts, comprising:

a contact pattern having a photo-exposure region; and

an edge pattern at the edge of the contact pattern, wherein the edge pattern is a half-tone region.

Claim 2. (original) The mask of claim 1, wherein the edge pattern includes a sawtooth edge pattern.

Claim 3. (original) The mask of claim 2, wherein the sawtooth edge pattern includes an edge lining with a series of sharp point sawtooth.

Claim 4. (original) The mask of claim 2, wherein the sawtooth edge pattern includes a band with a series of truncated sawtooth.

Claim 5. (original) The mask of claim 1, wherein the edge pattern includes at least a circular pattern.

Claim 6. (original) The mask of claim 5, wherein the circular pattern includes at least a concentric circular pattern.

Claim 7. (original) The mask of claim 5, wherein the circular pattern includes at least a non-concentric circular pattern.

Claim 8. (original) The mask of claim 5, wherein the circular pattern includes at least a spiral pattern.

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Claim 9. (original) The mask of claim 1, wherein the edge pattern includes a polygonal mosaic edge pattern.

Claim 10.(original) The mask of claim 9, wherein the polygonal mosaic edge pattern includes a four-sided mosaic edge pattern.

Claims 11-17 (cancelled)